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## Joint exercise tests Barksdale's skills, abilities

BY J. MANNY GUENDULAY

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The 2d Bomb Wing is undergoing a test of its ability to prepare people and aircraft for directed taskings.

The exercise is scheduled to continue into next week and has involved a variety of squadrons on base from maintenance to security forces.

This exercise comes right after the Conventional Operations Readiness Exercise held earlier this month. Lt. Col. Jon Johnson, director of wing exercises and evaluations, says that the major difference is that this is a U.S. Strategic Command exercise instead of an ACC-level inspection and though it tests the readiness of the Mighty Deuce, it also allows for creativity in how the wing ensures operational readiness.

"We're not being inspected this time, because we passed one last year," Colonel Johnson said.

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Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Airman 1st Class Andrew Wolf, 2d Security Forces Squadron, stands at his post in front of a B-52 during the past week's ongoing operational readiness exercise.

## 2d Medical Group preps for upcoming accreditation inspection

BY AIRMAN BRANDON KUSEK

THE BOMBARDIER

The Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of the 2d Medical Group from Nov. 1 through 5.

The survey, their first by this organization since 2001, is vital to the clinic to remain open for business.

"The survey is a Combined Sustained Performance Odyssey survey including both the Air Force inspection agency and the Joint Commission Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations," said Maj. Craig Lambert, Tricare operations and patient administration flight commander, 2d Medical Support Squadron.

Because of the importance of the inspection, the 2d MDG must be prepared.

"This is a sustained performance survey and the prepara-

tion is always on-going," said Maj. Todd Eppert, 2d Medical Support Squadron commander.

The purpose of the survey is to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established joint commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which, accreditation should be awarded the organization.

The joint commission standards deal with organization quality, safety-of-care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided.

The joint commission evaluates the quality and safety of care for more than 15,000 health care organizations. To maintain and earn accreditation, organizations must have an extensive on-site review by a team of health care professionals, at least once every three years. The purpose of the review is to evaluate the organization's performance in areas that affect the care provided. Accreditation may then be

awarded based on how well the organization met standards.

Health Services Inspections assess the functioning and execution of Air Force Medical Service programs and processes at the local level in order to provide senior leadership with accurate data upon which to base policy decisions. HSI's also assess the ability of Air Force medical units to fulfill their peacetime and wartime missions, including provision of medical care and support of the host wing mission.

"Barksdale's last inspection was in October 2001," Major Lambert said. "We scored a 'Mission Ready' from the HSI team and 95 out of a possible 100 with the JCAHO team."

"By achieving accreditation, a health care organization makes a commitment to follow Joint Commission standards, which provide the framework for safe, quality care," Major Lambert added. "The primary goal of the survey is to help an organization identify and correct potential problems and improve the quality of care and services provided."

### Weekend Weather



Today

Partly Cloudy

Hi: 83

Low: 68

Saturday

Mostly Cloudy

Hi: 83

Low: 65

Sunday

Isolated storms

Hi: 76

Low: 64

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Buying for  
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Squadron  
keeps  
Barksdale  
running

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Deer season  
rapidly  
approaching  
Quality deer  
management  
program in  
second season

### Sortie Scoreboard

2d Bomb Wing monthly flying goals

Depicted in hours	11th Bomb Squadron	2d Bomb Squadron	3d Bomb Squadron
Goal:	351.4	130.7	288.6
Flown:	290.0	113.9	209.3
Remaining:	61.4	16.8	79.3
As of: Oct. 22	-4.1	+1.9	-13.6





# October is month of excellence

BY COL. MICHAEL MOELLER  
2D BOMB WING COMMANDER

Wow ... October has been an incredible month for the mighty Deuce and Team Barksdale!

We successfully conducted our Training Emphasis Week and handled hurricane evacuations, a local conventional readiness evaluation, Strategic Command's annual global exercise, numerous distinguished visitors and constant operational training.

Through it all, we have demonstrated a commitment to excellence that is a tribute to our AF and our nation. In every way, we have stayed true to our TWO vector with daily demonstrations of taking care of the mission first and taking care of each other, ourselves and our loved ones. Here are just a few examples of what I am talking about:

**Total focus on mission excellence:** In the past 30 days we tested every aspect of our combat readiness. Our deployed members around the globe and our warriors at Guam set the bar for expeditionary operations. Here at home we covered the entire range of missions — we evaluated our conventional readiness during a Phase I deployment exercise and made history with our efforts during STRATCOM's global strategic exercise. Flying, fixing and supporting bomber operations — each of you played a key role in our success. You led the way and made it all happen!

**Work together to build trust and an unbeatable team:** I watched during the aircraft generation as hundreds of our warriors functioned as one team focused on one fight. We trusted each other to do it right every time and this special trust ensured success for our all-star team. I, along with everyone else, will watch in awe at the end of the exercise as an armada of B-52s take to the sky ready to attack evil wherever and whenever it may appear. Your efforts truly define teamwork!

**Offer opportunities for personal wellness and professional growth:** During our Training



Emphasis Week we evaluated the effectiveness of our individual and unit training programs, provided feedback to every person that strengthened the supervisor-member relationship and reemphasized the importance of job knowledge, compliance, discipline and accountability. Finally, we somehow managed to find time to finish the most successful Combined Federal Campaign since it started in earnest.

Mr. Joe Pierce, Northwest Louisiana United Way executive director said, "Our detailed records only go back to 1994 for CFC, but this is over \$20,000 higher than any campaign at Barksdale in that time. This is a great credit to the work of Maj. Barry Hill and his team, the leadership in the many units on base and to all the men and women at Barksdale."

Your caring, concerned efforts will ensure others on the base and in the community have opportunities to grow and learn too.

It was a great month and I will close by saying thank you for your service to our nation. Everyone knows we are a volunteer force and each and every one of you made a commitment to something larger than yourself when you joined the Air Force. Your decision to focus on "making a difference" instead of only "making more money" sets you apart from those who chose a different path.

It is a privilege to serve with you — the best of the best and SECOND TO NONE!

## Vision

The 2d Bomb Wing is first ... in peace ... in war ... to victory!

## Mission

Exceptional warriors ready now to provide responsive, flexible and accurate bomber combat power and operational support to warfighting commanders. Anytime, anywhere.

## Vector

Total focus on mission excellence

Work together — take care of each other to build trust and teamwork

Offer opportunities for personal and professional wellness and growth

## Action Line 456-4000

actionline@barksdale.af.mil

The Action Line is an avenue for complaints, suggestions and kudos on services provided at Barksdale. Comments can help make the base a better place.

Although the Action Line is always available for use, the best and fastest way to resolve problems is through the chain of command or the organization involved.

Individuals are encouraged to go that route first. If the problem is still unresolved, call the Action Line and the appropriate base agency will address the problem. Positive feedback about Barksdale is also encouraged. Please leave a name and phone number when calling the Action Line as more information may be needed.



Col. Michael Moeller  
2d Bomb Wing commander

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# Visiting retired chief thanks base

**Kudo:** Dear Col. Michael Moeller,

I was stationed at Barksdale very early in my career. My wife and I recently returned to visit my son and daughter-in-law. we had a wonderful time seeing them and visiting the Shreveport-Bossier City area. We enjoyed trying to identify things on base that were the same as when I was stationed there, and we especially enjoyed touring the 8th Air Force Museum and static aircraft display area. The entire

base looks great, much better than I remember it from 1979. We wanted to thank you and your lodging staff for helping to make our visit so pleasant. We were guests in the Mardi Gras suite Oct. 12-15, the room was wonderful and your housekeeping staff kept the room immaculate. Thank you for making us feel like honored guests.

Sincerely, retired Chief Master Sgt. and Mrs. Paul Bocconcelli



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# Unauthorized commitments can devastate

BY 1ST LT. JAMEY HARTSEL

2D CONTRACTING SQUADRON, B FLIGHT COMMANDER

Be careful of what you authorize.

The contractors have started the new electronic filing project long discussed in your weekly staff meeting and the job is almost finished.

At one point during the project the contractor asks you, the office files supervisor, if they can destroy the existing files since everything will now be electronic. You pause, and then say, “Why don’t we keep them just in case.”

At the end of the day, the contractor asks you to sign for the day’s completed work. You’ve signed several times before, so it doesn’t strike you as an odd request and you briefly scan the paper before signing it.

Within a week, the contracting office receives a \$4,500 claim from the contractor for additional scope due to a requirement to maintain a paper filing system and he has your signature authorizing the work.

With the increasing number of contractors coming onto our bases, there is also an increasing amount of interaction between our government workers and contractors. This close interaction can lead to situations where contractors are looking to government employees for direction.

The contracting office has emphasized to contractors that any changes (especially changes in the scope of the work to be performed) must come to them

through contract modification signed by a contracting officer.

Despite this emphasis, many of our middle managers find themselves extremely close to directing contracted work. If direction occurs and it causes an increase in contract cost, then it is considered an unauthorized commitment of government funds.

When unauthorized commitments occur, the unauthorized but directed work must be ratified in order for the government to pay the contractor.

Ratifications are becoming a serious problem. In fact, in the last few years, Barksdale has ratified over \$50,000 in unauthorized commitments.

However, the problem can be bigger than a monetary issue. Ratification authority is set by Air Combat Command contracting and can escalate what seems like an innocent misunderstanding to a serious problem quickly.

The contracting squadron commander can ratify unauthorized commitments of \$10,000 and below. The 2d Mission Support Group commander can ratify unauthorized commitments of \$25,000 and below. Finally, if the unauthorized commitment exceeds \$25,000, the ACC director of contracting at Langley Air Force Base, Va. is the ratifying authority. This means that an unauthorized commitment can give your career the kind of visibility you really don’t want.

What is the process when an unauthorized commitment occurs?

The commander or division chief of the individual re-

sponsible for the unauthorized commitment must submit a statement regarding what happened, any disciplinary action to be taken against the individual responsible and what actions will be taken to prevent a repeat of the unauthorized act.

To process the ratification for approval, the contracting officer has to prepare a statement of facts for the ratifying official determining whether the unauthorized commitment can be actually be ratified.

There are six criteria that must be met before the ratifying official can approve the ratification:

- The government must have received benefit resulting from performance of the unauthorized commitment.
- The resulting contract would have been proper if it were made by a contracting officer.
- The contracting officer determines the price fair and reasonable.
- The contracting officer recommends payment and legal counsel concurs.
- Funds are and were available at the time the unauthorized commitment was made.
- The ratification is in accordance with any other agency limitations.

If the unauthorized commitment is not ratifiable, then individuals could be forced to use their own funds to pay for their actions. Only when the ratifying official approves the action is the person relieved from financial responsibility.

Be careful, your direction may have personal, professional and financial consequences.



# Make your ballot count

BY LT. COL. RAY TUREK

BARKSDALE VOTING OFFICER

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The men and women of America's military have long known the meaning of sacrifice.

Whether deployments far from home, injuries in battle or risking their lives, our warriors have always felt the call to duty, honor and country. Why are Americans willing to give up so much to defend their land? I believe it is because they know America is still the greatest and most noble example of liberty in the world and is worth any sacrifice to uphold.

Part of defending our land means ensuring our leaders are men and women of character, integrity and virtue — leaders whose moral compass steers them to act with responsibility and honesty. As citizens of the world's leading nation, you have the most powerful vote imaginable. Your personal

choice helps determine the leader of our nation, members of Congress, governors, legislators, mayors and officials all the way down to city government.

There is still time to send in your absentee ballot and have it count — mail it out today. Ballots postmarked before your state's deadline will count.

If you have not received your absentee ballot (and you were properly registered and requested one on time), call your state election offices today. You can find contact information at <http://www.fvap.gov/links/statelinks.html>.

Your privilege is the envy of millions around the world. Remember, "We the People of the United States," formed our government. Your vote tells that government what to do. So, by absentee ballot or by stepping into the voting booth on Nov. 2, let's honor patriotic sacrifices past and present and vote!





# Drug testing program targets those most likely to use them



STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

A recent change to the Air Force's drug testing program aims to further reduce the number of substance abusers by targeting Airmen most likely to use them.

The Air Force began its "Smart Testing" program Oct. 1, at three major commands.

Under the program, individuals in the group shown most likely to use illicit drugs are being tested at a higher frequency than the rest of the population. That target group includes those in the ranks of airman basic through senior airman and first and second lieutenants, said Col. Wayne Talcott, community protection division chief of the Air Force Medical Support Agency at Brooks City-Base, Texas.

"What we are really trying to do with Smart Testing is target the portion of our population that has the highest prevalence of drug use," he said. "That is basically 18 through 25 year olds."

Air Combat Command is one of the major commands selected for the new testing and Barksdale has begun their part in the program.

"We were directed by ACC to start Smart Testing Oct. 1," said Mr. Jeffrey Hikes, 2d Medical Operations Squadron. "Our monthly testing numbers only increased 10 samples."

Colonel Talcott said Department of Defense research shows the target group is four times more likely to have a positive urinalysis than the remainder of the force. He also said that while the group makes up only 40 percent of the Air Force's total end strength, they are responsible for 86 percent of positive drug tests.

As part of Smart Testing, the Air Force will increase

the number of random drug tests it performs on the target group to equal the number of people in the group, said Colonel Talcott.

"We have already started Smart Testing at three major commands," he said. "Slowly, through the rest of October and into November you'll see Smart Testing across the Air Force."

The Air Force previously used a test rate of 64 percent per year, Colonel Talcott said. This means that of 376,900 Airmen, about 241,220 drug tests would be performed during the course of the year.

In October, the test rate for the target group increased, though it remained at 64 percent for the rest of the people.

Colonel Talcott said the system is fair because names are chosen at random by computer.

"We have a software program that has a listing of all the active duty (Airmen) that are subject to drug testing," Colonel Talcott said. "The software selects names randomly for the numbers of tests we intend to run."

He also said that after a name is selected for drug testing, it is immediately put back into the system.

"That's often called 'selection with replacement,'" Colonel Talcott said. "That means that once you have been selected and tested, your name goes right back in the hopper for the next time they pull names."

Because names are put back into the system and because they are drawn randomly, individuals cannot predict when they will be tested, or how many times they will be tested during the year, Colonel Talcott said.

For Airmen in the target group, what they can predict is that they are more likely to be tested now than they were in the past. *(Courtesy Air Force Print News)*

## Postal agency sets holiday mailing dates, policies

BY STAFF SGT. C. TODD LOPEZ

AIR FORCE PRINT NEWS

WASHINGTON — The dates for mailing items to and from overseas locations in time for the holidays are fast approaching, and officials at the Military Postal Service Agency here have suggestions for ensuring packages and letters arrive on time.

"If packages are mailed earlier, it may be possible to use space-available mail or parcel post service, which would result in less expensive postage rates," said Mark DeDomenic, the agency's chief.

As the holidays approach, mail volumes get higher, and it takes longer for packages to get through, Mr. DeDomenic said.

The recommended deadlines for sending

mail from the United States to all overseas military mailing addressees for the holidays are listed below.

- Parcel post: Nov. 13.
- Space-available mail: Nov. 27.
- Parcel airlift mail: Dec. 4.
- Priority and first-class letters/cards: Dec. 11 (Dec. 6 for APO 093).
- Express mail military service: Dec. 20 (Not applicable for APO 093).

Mr. DeDomenic said these dates can also be observed by customers sending mail from overseas locations to the United States, and that all dates may vary depending on location.

"Customers should contact their local military post office overseas to get exact dates," Mr. DeDomenic said.

People mailing packages need to be aware that customs forms are required on all international mail, and that shipments should be properly packaged before sending them overseas, Mr. DeDomenic said.

"Always use strong boxes with plenty of packing material, such as newspaper or popcorn," he said. "Strapping or reinforced tape is strongly recommended. Ensure fragile items are packed tightly and individually wrapped in bubble wrap."

Postal services in the United States and foreign nations have restrictions on what can be mailed in or out of the country. Mr. DeDomenic said postal customers need to consider these restrictions and also the length of the journey when mailing items overseas.

Also critical to getting packages overseas on time is ensuring they have the correct mailing address.

The No. 1 reason for delayed delivery of mail is improper or incomplete addresses, Mr. DeDomenic said. He said people sending mail to an overseas APO or FPO, should not use the geographical location. For example, do not use Baghdad, Iraq, on the address. This will cause the mail to be placed into the international mail system and may cause severe delays.

Because of security restrictions, mass-mailing operations such as Operation Dear Abby or the "Any Servicemember" mailing programs are not being supported by the agency, Mr. DeDomenic said. *(Courtesy Air Force Print News)*

## Thrift Saving Plan has begun, runs through end of year

BY MASTER SGT. RANDY L. MITCHELL

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER PUBLIC AFFAIRS

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Civilian and military employees can sign up for, or change, their Thrift Savings Plan contribution amounts during the "open season" now through Dec. 31.

"TSP is a long-term retirement savings plan, which everyone should consider," said Senior Master Sgt. Felipe Ortiz, superintendent of the Air Force Personnel Contact Center here. "It's a great supplement to retirement plans."

"It's also important to note that TSP is not limited to investing in stocks," he said. "People can choose safer government securities as well."

This open season applies only to regular TSP contri-

butions. It does not include TSP catch-up contributions, as they are not tied to open seasons, said Janet Thomas, of AFPC's civilian benefits and entitlements service team.

TSP offers investors the chance for lower taxes each year they contribute, while not having to pay taxes on earnings until they reach retirement.

"Eligible employees can take out loans and make in-service withdrawals from their TSP accounts," Ms. Thomas said. "And you can keep your account, even if you leave military or civilian service."

Investment money is deposited directly from each paycheck "so you never have to think about it," Sergeant Ortiz said. "That makes it easy to 'pay yourself first' while only investing what you deem appropriate."

The five TSP funds are: the Government Securities Investment (G) Fund; the Common Stock Index Investment (C) Fund; the Fixed Income Index Investment (F) Fund; the Small Capitalization Stock Index Investment (S) Fund; and the International Stock Index Investment (I) Fund.

"As with any individual retirement account, the sooner you begin contributing, the better," Ms. Thomas said.

Contribution elections or changes made between Oct. 15 and Dec. 11 will take effect Dec. 12, for both military and civilian employees. Changes made on or after Dec. 12 will become effective at the beginning of the pay period following the one in which the election is made for civilians and the following month for military. *(Courtesy Air Force Print News)*





# Exercise participants employ creativity during joint exercise

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"And when we don't get an inspection, it allows us to show a little more creativity in the way the exercise is done. When there's an inspection the focus is on the basic requirements, but in this exercise we're exploring a bunch of different options available to STRATCOM and what they are asking us to do is 'let's try this' and 'let's try that' instead of just saying 'do what's normally expected of you and let's see how that turns out.'"

Capt. David McMillan, 2d Operations Support Squadron intelligence officer, notes the significance of the exercise.

"The exercise gives us a realistic look at critical world events that could lead to military involvement and eventual 2d BW mission tasking in support of our nation's strategic defense," Captain McMillan said. "Realizing that only a select few units/organizations in our nation's military participate in such an important exercise makes

us feel all the more honored and inspired to be an integral part of this successful exercise."

Several units have been tasked for this exercise such as the 2d OSS where Lt. Col. Steve Kram, chief of strategic plans, said his office has been busy during the exercise.

"Since 2d OSS special weapons operations is responsible for this exercise support, our entire shop was involved with the exercise," said Col. Kram. "We've had continuous shifts working within the battlestaff at the Warrior Center, conducting aircrew briefings, and operating our 'Cajun Ops' aircrew control center. Aircrew from the 11th, 20th and 96th Bomb Squadrons augmented 'Cajun Ops,' processing alert crews through their generation actions. After Tuesday's exercise alert response and aircraft re-configuration, our office spent the second part of the week preparing for the alert response and fly-off exercise scheduled for today."

Lt. Col. Larry Littrell, 2d Operational Support

Squadron chief of conventional operations, said his office was also busier at the beginning of this exercise compared to past exercises, but was able to maintain their workload.

"Our office has performed superbly," Colonel Littrell said. "With as many changes from previous exercises in an operation of this magnitude, I expected there to be significant obstacles. We handled all of them with the ease and professionalism that 2d Bomb Wing warriors are noted for. We did a lot of coordination with agencies outside of the wing to make sure the exercise was realistic while demonstrating our true capabilities."

Colonel Littrell believes this exercise is also important because of the long term affects.

"During the exercise, the wing had to manage a lot of expectations on the way we do business, because this exercise has set the template for the way we will exercise in the future," the colonel said.



## Barksdale's Airman of the Month

BY SENIOR AIRMAN ANDREA KNUDSON

THE BOMBARDIER

Airman 1st Class Crystal Velez was among the 18 Barksdale Airmen who competed for Airman of the month for September. After donning her service dress uniform and answering a series of questions from senior NCOs from across the base, Airman Velez came out on top.

The winning news was a surprise for Airman Velez, who is an audit and control technician for the 2d Comptroller Squadron.

"I thought someone was playing a really nice joke," said the Cottondale, Fla., native who enjoys reading, swimming and shopping with her family and friends in her spare time. "It was my first board and all I expected was to learn from it. I hope it will prepare me for future events."

Some of Airman Velez's goals include finishing school and a promotion.

"I would like to complete my bachelor's degree in business management," she said.

"I would like to make staff sergeant the first time I test, and eventually become a first sergeant. Somewhere in the future, I definitely want a family."

Friends and family members were excited and proud of her recent accomplishment and remain a source of encouragement and strength for Airman Velez.

"My family and upbringing helped me with the board," the Airman said. "Studying and doing your best was always emphasized in my house. I appreciate their continued support."

Airman Velez's co-workers agree the board members made a sound decision with their selection.

"She is a personable, knowledgeable and committed Airman," said fellow 2d CPTS audit and control technician Airman 1st Class Megan Mavis. "Airman Velez is a person who will never settle for typical. She's a high-quality Airman and is always there for her co-workers."

Tech. Sgt. Terry Barnes, NCO in charge of document and control for 2d CPTS, also holds Airman Velez in high regard.

"She's awesome! She has meticulous attention to detail and completes her work ahead of schedule," Sergeant Barnes said. "She's an asset to the 2d CPTS and I'm glad to have her on my team."

Airman Velez believes she couldn't have done it without the help of the 2d CPTS.

"The Airmen in my office definitely encouraged and supported me," she said. "They also helped out by asking me questions before the board, and the office was filled with excitement when we found out I won."

Airman Velez's contributions to the base and community include the Airman Against Drunk Driving program, Adopt-a-Pet, and Paint Your Heart Out Shreveport.



Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

**Airman 1st Class  
Crystal Velez**



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# Halloween tips

**Editor's note:** Base children are authorized to trick-or-treat Oct. 31 from 5 — 8 p.m. The following is a list of safety information from the 2d Bomb Wing Safety Office.

## Drivers

- Watch the speed limit, especially in housing
- Look before backing up
- Make sure vehicle is highly visible so trick-or-treaters can easily spot all cars
- Make eye contact with trick-or-treaters if possible

## Homeowners

- Ensure outside areas are well lit
- Remove all tripping hazards
- Keep pets chained up or inside

## Adults

- Ensure costumes are marked with a tag as "flame retardant"
- Discuss the route of travel with trick-or-treaters
- Mark costumes and trick-or-treat bags with reflective tape
- Accompany all children or have an older, responsible youth supervise them at all times

## General information

- Walk facing oncoming traffic
- Have parents examine treats before eating
- Carry a flashlight in hours of darkness
- Plan bright and reflective costumes. Make sure shoes fit well and costumes are short enough to prevent tripping or contact with flame
- Secure emergency identification such as name, address and phone number discreetly within Halloween attire
- Consider non-toxic makeup or decorative hats as safe alternatives since masks can limit or block eyesight
- Teach children to how call 911 or their local emergency number if they have an emergency or become lost
- Review with children the principle of stop-drop-roll if their clothes catch on fire
- Openly discuss appropriate and inappropriate behavior at Halloween time



J. Manny Guendulay/The Bombardier

**With Honor:** From left to right: Honor Guard Members Senior Airmen Marlon Yarde, Josh Laglois, Jeffery Walker and Airman 1st Class Lisa Berry presented the colors at a Veterans Affairs dinner in Shreveport Monday night. For more information about joining the honor guard, talk to a supervisor.

## News briefs

### Harvest Fest volunteers needed

The 2d Bomb Wing Chapel staff needs volunteers for their Harvest Fest scheduled Oct. 31 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Chapel Two Annex. Volunteers will assist with various games for base children. If interested, contact Mrs. Laura Barber at 456-3689 or 752-2749, or Chaplain (Capt.) Leslie Janovec at 456-2111.

### 2d CES haunted house

The 2d Civil Engineer Squadron booster club hosts a haunted house at Clear Lake Park for base members beginning today. The haunted house is open today through Oct. 31 from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

### Retirement ceremonies

#### Lt. Col. Jerald T. Mallernee

Lt. Col. Jerald Mallernee, 608th Air Communication Squadron, retires after 30 plus years of military service in a ceremony Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. at the Chapel Two Annex. Attire is duty uniform for military and business attire for civilians. For information, call Capt. James Hudson, 608th ACOMS, at 456-2437.

#### Lt. Col. Richard 'Bo' Humphrey

Lt. Col. Richard 'Bo' Humphrey, 2d Operations Support Squadron, retires after more than 20 years of dedicated service in a ceremony at the 8th Air Force Museum, Nov. 5th at 1 p.m. Dress is duty uniform for everyone attending. For more information call 2d Lt. Jonathan Ball, 2 OSS, at 456-2757.

#### Master Sgt. A.W. "Rowdy" Rautio

Master Sgt. A.W. "Rowdy" Rautio, 2d Mission Support Squadron, retires after 22 years of dedicated service in a ceremony at Cullen Park, Nov. 5 at noon. Dress is casual for civilians and uniform of the day for military. Call the Family Support Center at 456-8400 by Nov. 3 to RSVP or for more information.

#### Master Sgt. Bruce Chappell

Master Sgt. Bruce Chappell, 608th Combat Operations Squadron, retires after 22 years of dedicated service in a ceremony at the 917th Wing auditorium Nov. 5 at 2:30 p.m. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Jenn Irwin, 308th COS, at 456-1568.

#### Maj. John Farese

Maj. John Farese, 11th Bomb Squadron, retires after 22 years of dedicated service in a ceremony Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. at John's Place in Princeton located at 6105 Highway 80 East. Dress is civilian attire for everyone attending. For more information, call Maj. Adam Bloom, 11th BS, at 456-4815.

### Mammography services

The 2d Medical Group offers mammography services Monday through Friday. Individuals should contact their primary care manager or bring a prescription from an off-base provider to schedule an exam. To make an appointment, call diagnostic imaging at 456-6253.

### Openings

The Military Personnel Flight ID card section opens Nov.

20 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to servicemembers requiring ID cards, common access cards, or dependent ID cards. Call Miss Charlotte Hikes at 456-3710 for more information.

### ALS events

Airman Leadership School Class 04-H holds their graduation banquet Wednesday at the enlisted club. Cocktails start at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. Dress for the event is mess dress for officers, mess dress or semi-formal for enlisted and casual evening wear for civilians. Reservations are required through the students at 456-4739. Class 04-H hosts a drill presentation Tuesday at 2 p.m. on the drill pad located in front of the academic building. The chiefs versus Class 04-H students volleyball challenge is Tuesday at 3 p.m. at the ALS gym.

### Articles 15

Two Barksdale airmen received nonjudicial punishment under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice from Oct. 14-20.

A senior airman made a false statement to his training instructor while TDY. Punishment: reduction to airman first class and 30 days extra duty.

A senior airman assaulted another airman after a verbal altercation. Punishment: reduction to airman first class and 30 days extra duty.

Under the Rapid Airman Discharge program during the above time frame, there were three discharges for minor disciplinary actions: one for CDC failure and two for condition that interferes.

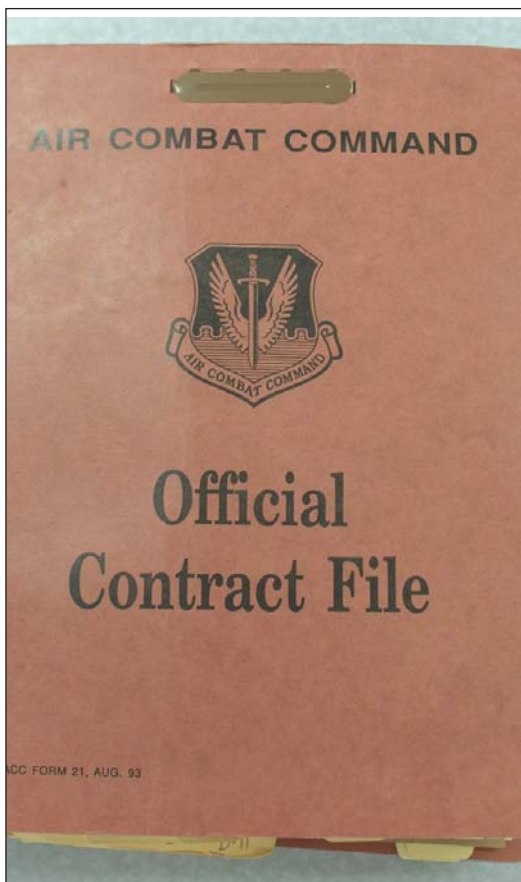




Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Airman 1st Class Bethany McClain watches Mr. Bill Hensel, foreman for Shilo Contractors, move pieces of the new bridge on the East Reservation using a crane.

Below: The cover of an official contract. The contracts are not just a few pages but can be many books long.



## Buying for the best 2d CONS keeps base going

BY AIRMAN BRANDON KUSEK  
THE BOMBARDIER

The Air Force depends on its members to do their duty and serve their country, but they cannot do everything a base needs, such as paint base housing, build a new bridge or renovate the dining facility.

This is where the 2d Contracting Squadron goes to work. They write up the contract and sometimes find the person who will do the extra jobs.

"Most civilians that work on base are contracted through our office," said Staff Sgt. Scott Self, 2d CONS contract specialist. "The main people you see are those who work in the dining facility, gym and those who perform landscape maintenance around the base."

The job of 2d CONS personnel doesn't end after the work is ordered. They must follow up on the work that is being paid for and do quality checks.

"We are required to do at least one labor check every two weeks," Sergeant Self said.

It is not up to just the 2d CONS to decide what needs to be done around base. With the assistance of other base organizations, there is a three-step chain that they must go through.

"First the squadrons submit the request, then the finance office certifies that we have the funds to support what was requested and then we locate the right person or company for the job and make the contract," said Maj. Nathan Rump, 2d CONS commander.

The contracts drawn up inside their offices are normally not small. Some might

be only a few pages, whereas others must be designated an entire closet because of the size of the document.

Time is a demon of the 2d CONS office.

"A new computer, that can be ordered in a day," Major Rump said. "But construction work that is done around the base can take months to get the contract written up."

Future projects and renovations the 2d CONS have contracted on Barksdale include the resurfacing of Lindbergh Road and multiple roofing jobs on hangars and in base housing.

In addition to all the contracts the 2d CONS writes up, they are also responsible for the government purchase cards.

"Don't get confused with government travel cards, we take care of the government purchase cards, which card holders throughout different offices on base use to purchase supplies their office needs," Major Rump said.

It is the 2d CONS office's responsibility to certify, train and oversee all card holders to make sure they're being used correctly.

"We have over 500 card holders throughout Barksdale spending about \$20 million per year," the major added.

The buying power of the 2d CONS keeps Barksdale above the rest. They live by their squadron motto, "buying for the best."

"The men and women of the 2d Contracting Squadron, both military and civilian, are by far the hardest working, most professional people I have ever worked with," Major Rump said.



Airmen 1st Class Rowan Gibbs and Crystina Stone inspect an electrical outlet in the south side of the Red River Inn dining facility which is currently under renovation. Inspections of the work being done are performed on a routine basis.



# Cajun Warrior Attitude

Catch it!



Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Tech. Sgt.  
Lonest Bonton

**Family:** Wife, Monique; Sons Jeremy and Brandon

**Hometown:** Hickory Hill, La.

**Unit:** 2d Contracting Squadron

**Job title:** NCO in charge, contingency flight

**Job description:** Prepare, train and certify squadron personnel for deployment. I'm also responsible for assigning personnel to real-world taskings. I'm also the unit status of resources and training monitor. As unit education and

training manager I advise the commander and superintendent on education and training programs and consult with supervisors, trainees, trainers and task certifiers on all training issues concerning both the on-the-job training and upgrade programs

**Most rewarding job aspect:** Helping others

**Goals:** Retire from the workforce and live peacefully

**Hobbies:** Running, fishing and watching ESPN

**What motivates my winning attitude:** My faith

**Favorite TV channel:** ESPN

**Favorite sports team:** Dallas Cowboys

**Favorite meal:** Seafood gumbo with cornbread

**Favorite book:** Have You Felt Like Giving Up Lately

**I'm proudest of:** My parents and siblings who are all hard workers

**Pet peeve:** Negative talk and laziness

**What I like most about Barksdale:** Location and climate

**If I could change anything about Barksdale, it would be:** Reroute the railroad track at the entry to the Shreveport Gate

**Most influential person in the Air Force to you and why:** My old supervisor, Tech. Sgt. Lori Houghton. She set the example of an NCO by her dress and appearance, respect for authority and desire to succeed.

2d Contracting Squadron at a glance

Squadron commander: <b>Maj. Nathan Rump</b>	2d Mission Support Group commander:
First sergeant: <b>Senior Master Sgt. Steven Kembrell</b>	<b>Col. Colleen Duffy</b>
	Squadron motto: <b>Buying for the best</b>



## At the movies

For recorded show times and movies, call 456-3666 or visit the Army and Air Force Exchange Services' Web site at [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com). Movies are subject to change without notice.  
Admission: Adults \$3, children \$1.50 (Information and photos courtesy of [www.movieweb.com](http://www.movieweb.com))



### "Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow"

**Rated:** PG

**Playing:** Today at 7 p.m.

**Run time:** 107 minutes

**Cast:** Jude Law, Gwyneth Paltrow, Angelina Jolie

**Synopsis:** Reporter Polly Perkins has noted the sudden disappearances of many of the world's famous scientists. After the city falls under attack of giant flying robots, she teams up with her old flame, aviation officer Joseph "Sky Captain" Sullivan, and flies around the world in search of Dr. Totenkopf, whose plan is to create a "World of Tomorrow" ... and destroy today's.

### "Hero"

**Rated:** PG-13

**Playing:** Saturday at 7 p.m.

**Run time:** 99 minutes

**Cast:** Jet Li, Zhang Ziyi

**Synopsis:** In ancient times China was divided into seven kingdoms. Qin, the king of the northern province, is under permanent threat of assassination attempts. His greatest fears are the warriors Broken Sword, Flying Snow and Sky. One day, one of the magistrates enters the palace and claims that he defeated all of the emperor's adversaries, then he proceeds to tell his story.



### "Wimbledon"

**Rated:** PG-13

**Playing:** Sunday at 7 p.m.

**Run time:** 98 minutes

**Cast:** Paul Bettany, Kirsten Dunst

**Synopsis:** An aging, low-ranking male tennis star has one last shot, and two weeks of hard play and romance, to win the greatest tennis tournament and the heart of an up and coming women's tennis star.

## Chapel information

Chapel One: 275 Barksdale Blvd., East  
Chapel Two: 724 Douhet Drive, 456-2111

### Catholic services

Confession, Chapel Two, Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Mass, Chapel Two, Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

Mass, Chapel Two, Sunday, 9 a.m.

Confraternity Christian, Chapel Two, Sunday, 10 a.m.

Mass, Chapel One, Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

Mass, Chapel One, Mondays through Fridays, noon

**Noon Mass has resumed**

### Protestant services

Liturgical communion, Chapel One, Sunday, 9 a.m.

Community worship, Chapel Two, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Inspirational gospel worship, Chapel Two, Sunday, noon

Contemporary praise, Chapel Two, Sunday, 6 p.m.

Family night, Chapel Two, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m.

### Festival of Carols

The Festival of Carols concert starts at 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at Chapel Two. A choir and symphony chamber orchestra will perform during the show. Anyone wanting to sing in the choir can call the Chapel secretary or Mr. Collis Thorn at 456-2111 to sign up. Choir rehearsals are held Mondays at 7 p.m. at Chapel 2.

## Red River Inn dining facility

Flight Kitchen, 456-4769

Red River Inn, 456-8367

Items subject to change

### Today

Lunch — Beef and corn pie, seafood newburg, veal steaks

Dinner — Corned beef, pot roast, chicken

### Saturday

Brunch — Creole shrimp, baked chicken, meatballs

Supper — Goulash, baked fish, barbecue chicken

### Sunday

Brunch — Spareribs, chicken breast, oven-fried fish

Supper — Steak, beef stir-fry, turkey nuggets

### Monday

Lunch — Pot roast, baked stuffed fish, roast pork

Dinner — Chili mac, beef cannelloni, fried chicken

### Tuesday

Lunch — Veal parmesan, teriyaki chicken, salmon

Dinner — Meat loaf, country chicken, turkey

### Wednesday

Lunch — Barbecue ham, turkey and noodles, beef

Dinner — Pork chops, barbecue spareribs, chicken

### Thursday

Lunch — Cabbage rolls, fried catfish, baked chicken

Dinner — Cornish hens, roast pork, jaegerschnizel

### Nov. 5

Lunch — Swiss steak, baked chicken, stuffed peppers

Dinner — Italian sausage, lasagna, spaghetti

## Family Support Center

Located on the corner of Kenney Avenue  
and Curtiss Road, 456-8400.

Reservations required for all events.

### Operation Hero

A mock deployment scheduled for Nov. 6 from 10 a.m. to noon. is intended to give children of active duty and reservists a better understanding of the deployment process. Children must be between ages 5 and 12 and accompanied by a parent. One hundred seats are available and reservations are required.

### Cyber center

The Family Support Center has 10 computer stations for use with Internet, e-mail, and self-help software programs such as DISCOVER, Scholarship Resource Network, Power Pay, Personal Financial Management and Mavis Beacon Typing Test. The cyber center is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

### Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for various base agencies. Child care may be provided. Call the Family Support Center at 456-8400 to find out more about volunteering opportunities.

### Military Family Month

November is Military Family Month. The Armed Services YMCA is sponsoring an art contest for children in kindergarten through sixth grade and an essay contest for first graders through high school seniors. Winners will receive U.S. Savings Bonds.

### Marriage checklist

If marriage plans are in the future, then come by the Family Support Center for a marriage checklist to help with the "To Do" list. It lists things to do before and after marriage such as obtaining a marriage license, planning a budget, chapel arrangements, ID cards, base decals, DEERS enrollment, and updating emergency data cards (DD Form 93), Tricare, life and auto insurance and legal considerations.

### Personal, family readiness briefing

A personal and family readiness briefing is scheduled Thursday at 2 p.m. The Family Support Center's Readiness Team provides information and support during a time of separation. This briefing is meant to prepare active duty, spouses, family members and significant others for deployment.

### Parents and tots playgroup

The parents and tots playgroup is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Chapel Two annex.

This informal play group enhances the social skills of pre-school children while improving parents' knowledge of child development and parenting skills through sharing with each other.

### English as a second language

The English as a second language class provides essential language skills to assist students, personally and professionally, as they transition to American culture. The class is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 8 p.m.



# Quality Deer Management Program continues

## First season success leads to further implementation of program

STAFF REPORTS

The Quality Deer Management Program started last season at Barksdale is already improving deer herd buck-to-doe ratios and will continue through this season. The program has helped reverse the trend of harvesting more bucks than does. Quality Deer Management is a management practice that unites resource managers and hunters in a common goal of producing healthy deer herds with balanced buck-to-doe ratios and age structures. The program ensures that bucks are older before they are harvested.

“We expect excellent benefits over the long run, but it is still too early to tell the overall impact of the program,” said Bruce Holland, 2d Civil Engineering Squadron natural resources manager.

Hunters who harvest a buck with less than four points on one side of their rack receive a penalty. Allowing 50 percent more mature bucks in a herd to be available for breeding increases reproduction success. Also, resulting improved habitat conditions promote the overall health of the deer as well

as other wildlife.

“Hunters are getting accustomed to the program,” Mr. Holland said, who predicts excellent hunting success this season.

In 2003, a hunter harvested one deer for every 12 trips into the forest. This figure was calculated based on the number of hunters and deer last season.

“Taking game is only one part of the hunting experience. Barksdale’s sportsmen enjoy the outdoors, the physical and mental challenges, and time spent with friends,” Mr. Holland explained.

“The harvest limits are the same this year, which are six deer total with a limit of two bucks,” Mr. Holland said. “If a hunter gets no bucks, he or she can harvest six does, with a limit of one doe and one buck per day. A button-buck counts as a buck under the Barksdale regulation.”

Hunters must have a valid state or federal license in addition to the Barksdale permits. Louisiana permits are \$15 for the basic season excluding big game. Big game permits can be purchased for an additional \$14.

## Hunting season safety

- Treat each firearm as if it is loaded. Check any firearm. When a firearm changes hands, leave the action open.
- Always control the muzzle of the firearm. Point it safely. Keep fingers off the trigger. Keep the action open when not shooting. Insist everyone in the group handles firearms safely.
- Be sure the barrel and action are clear of obstructions. Carry only ammunition of the proper size for the firearm.
- Unload firearms when not in use. Leave the actions open. Firearms should be carried empty in cases to and from shooting areas.
- Never point a firearm at anything not intended to be shot. Avoid all horseplay with a firearm.
- Be sure of targets and what is beyond. Never shoot at a flash of color or at a sound. Never shoot at a shape in the tree.
- Never climb a fence or tree, or jump a ditch or a log with a loaded firearm. Never pull a firearm by the muzzle.
- Never shoot a bullet at a flat, hard surface or water. During target practice, be sure the backdrop is adequate.

- For tree stand hunters:
- Never use a tree stand during high wind, lightning or if snow or ice are present on the stand or steps.
  - Never use a stand without a “fall restraint” system. All tree stand manufacturers recommend these.
  - Always scout and locate safe stand sites before the season begins.
  - Always pull up your weapon with a rope. Have the gun muzzle pointed down during ascent and bows with arrows pointed up on ascent and down when lowering.
  - Always place weapons on the ground on the back side of the tree before climbing or descending.
  - Make sure to remove steps from your tree stand at the conclusion of the season.

## 2004-5 base hunting seasons

- Rifle Deer: Nov. 19-23, 26-28; Dec. 9-12, 26-28; Jan. 7-9, 21-23
- Muzzleloader Deer: Nov. 6-12; Jan. 24-30
- Archery Deer: Oct. 1-Feb. 15
- Quail: Nov. 13-Feb. 28
- Rabbit: Oct. 2-Feb. 28
- Squirrel: Oct. 2-Feb. 28
- Dove: Sept. 4-12; Oct. 9-Nov. 14; Dec. 18-Jan. 10
- Teal: Sept. 18-26
- Ducks & Coots (Except Pintails & Canvasbacks): Nov. 13-Dec. 5; Dec. 18-Jan. 23
- Pintails: Nov. 13-21; Dec. 18-Jan. 7
- Canvasbacks: Dec. 18-Jan. 16

All appropriate state/federal licenses are required in addition to base hunting permits.

During the rifle and muzzleloader deer hunting seasons, other recreational activities on the undeveloped areas of Barksdale’s east reservation are restricted. Refer to BAFI 32-7064 for more information.

## Barksdale Hunter Safety Courses

All base members with unescorted hunting privileges, including dependents, must attend the Barksdale Hunter Safety Course once every three years. All courses will be held at the Natural Resources Office.

Courses are offered:

- Thursday at 6 a.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 18 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Jan. 6 at 6 p.m.

Call the Natural Resources Office at 456-3353 or email the Base Wildlife office for more information.

## Sports shorts

### Turkey Trot

The fitness center will be hosting the annual 5K Turkey Trot on Nov. 19 at 8 a.m. Drawing for turkeys will be held after the event. Contact the fitness center for more information at 456-2492.

### Women’s basketball

The Barksdale women’s basketball team has practices Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the sports and fitness center. Contact Kory Gibson at 456-8921 or Alayr’c Sampson at 456-8860 for more information.

### Bowling special

The bowling center has a new Sunday special that includes unlimited bowling for three hours and a choice of the following meals: burgers, chicken strips, hot dogs, corn dogs or grilled cheese with fries and a soda. Cost for two guests is \$29.29, cost for four guests is \$39.95 and cost for six guests is \$49.95. Additionally, if bowlers throw a strike when they have a red pin they win a free game of bowling.

### Men’s varsity basketball schedule

The men’s varsity basketball is now 1-2 after a 74-50 loss to Trinity Valley Community College Oct. 20.

The following is the mens varsity basketball team’s remaining schedule:

Nov. 6 and 7 at Little Rock AFB, Ark.; Nov. 13 and 14, versus Tinker AFB, Okla.; Nov. 20 and 21 at Sheppard AFB, Texas; Nov. 27 and 28 versus Dyess AFB, Texas; Dec. 3 and 4 at Ft. Sill, Okla.; Dec. 11 and 12 versus Southern University at Shreveport; Dec. 18 and 19 versus Altus AFB, Okla.; Jan. 8 and 9 at Dyess AFB, Texas; Jan. 14 through 17 at Sheppard or Eglin MLK tournament; Jan. 22 and 23 at Tinker AFB, Okla.; Feb. 5 versus Bossier Parish Community; Feb. 18 through 21 African American Heritage Tournament at Randolph AFB, Texas or at Altus AFB, Okla.; Feb. 26 and 27 versus Sheppard AFB, Texas; Mar. 5 and 6 versus Little Rock AFB, Ark.; Mar. 12 and 13 at Altus AFB (if not played Feb. 19 and 20); Mar. 27 through 27, League Championships at Randolph AFB, Texas. Games are subject to change.

## Intramural football scoreboard

Standings as of Oct. 13		
	W	L
CS #1	7	0
AMXS	6	0
MDG	6	0
MXS	5	1
MUNS	5	2
CES	4	2
MSS/MOS	4	3
CS #2	4	4
20th BS	3	3
8th AF	3	4
LRS	2	4
AWC/SVS	1	6

**Editor’s note:** Due to the exercise last week, no games have been played since Oct. 6.



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# 2d Services Events & Activities

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## HIGHLIGHTS

### Football Frenzy

NFL football frenzy is now open on Sundays and Mondays at the E-lounge.

See page B

### Thanksgiving Buffet

Make reservations for the delicious Thanksgiving Day Buffet at the Barksdale Club.

See page B

### New Aerobics Schedule

The fitness center has a new aerobics contract and is offering new classes.

See page C

### Turkey Shoot Tourney

Win a FREE turkey at Fox Run Golf Course when you play in this Nov. 20 scramble tournament.

See page C

### Skateboarding Trip

Join outdoor recreation on a skateboarding outing at Holy Roller Skate Park Saturday.

See page C

### New Grab N Go Lunch

The bowling center is now offering ready to go poboy combo's for only \$3.50. Get in and out in less than five minutes.

See page D

### Teen Lock-in

The Smart Moves Teen Lock-in is scheduled for Nov. 19 at the youth center. It's a great night filled with fun events in a controlled environment.

See page F

### Cowboys/Saints Trip

Join Gifts & Getaways on a luxury bus trip to the Saints versus Cowboys game at Texas Stadium on Dec. 12.

See page G

### Santa's Showcase

Reserve a booth now for Santa's Showcase, the premier holiday event at Hoban Hall on Dec. 4.

See page H



## Holiday Shopping Trip to Dallas, TX

**November 13**

Visit the Galleria, Trader's Village and other great shopping locations!

\$25 includes transportation

Sign up at  
**Gifts & Getaways**  
in the BX mall  
or call 456-1866



## Holiday Light Tours

**Nov. 20 Natchitoches, LA**  
as seen in the movie "Steel Magnolias"

**Dec. 18 Marshall, TX**  
hundreds of thousands of holiday lights

\$17 per guest includes transportation

**Call 456-1866 to sign up**



**Monday Two for One Lunch**

Each Monday, members can enjoy half price lunch at the Barksdale Club. Bring a guest and the second meal is free. Non-members pay \$6.95. Enjoy everything on the buffet, including soup, salad bar, drink and dessert. Bring a friend this Monday and save!

**Retired Member Fridays**

The club salutes its retired membership every Friday night. Retirees buy dinner and get the second meal at half price. Stop by the Bayou Lounge for a cocktail before dinner.

**Steak for Two**

Wednesday, Nov. 3 and 11 at the Barksdale Club, enjoy two T-bone steak dinners for \$15.95. Steaks are tender and cooked to perfection. Dinner is open to all ranks and starts at 5:30 p.m.

**Prime Rib for Two**

Enjoy slow roasted prime rib at the Barksdale Club every Saturday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Two guests can enjoy dinner for only \$19.95. Meals are served with au jus and horseradish and choice of rice pilaf or potatoes, vegetable of the day and a glass of house wine. Reservations are encouraged at 456-4926 but walk-ins are accepted. All ranks are welcome.

**Sunday Brunch Special**

Enjoy brunch Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Barksdale Club. Brunch is open to all ranks and features a carving station, made-to-order omelettes, a fresh salad and fruit bar, a large dessert bar, numerous lunch entrees and all the traditional breakfast favorites. Wine, bloody mary, mimosa and champagne are also available. During November, members buy 1 brunch at regular price and get the second brunch for \$5. The regular price is \$12.95 for adults, \$5.95 for ages 5-11 and FREE for under 5. Walk-ins are welcome.

**Mongolian Night**

Asian fare is back on Nov. 10. Guests build their own entrees by picking from numerous fresh ingredients like shrimp, beef, chicken or pork, dozens of fresh, crisp vegetables and 19 exotic sauces. Plates are weighed and cooked to order by the club. The cost is 50 cents per ounce. Delicious desserts are also available. All ranks are welcome. Mongolian starts at 5:30 p.m. at the Barksdale Club.

**The Barksdale Club 456-4926**

**BINGO**

**Bingo Mania**

\$1600 Cash Jackpot

Prizes

Thursdays at the Barksdale Club

Open to all ranks

Buffet & Early Bird 5:30 p.m.

Bingo 6:30 p.m.



**Bar Bingo**

\$500 Nightly Jackpot

Mon-Fri 7 p.m.

Enlisted Lounge



**Football Frenzy**



Win Big screen TV, X-Box, Superbowl trip, Pre Bowl trip to Honolulu!

Miller lite \$1.50 Bottles & \$1 Draft

Door prizes galore!

**Enlisted lounge 456-4467**



**ALL NIGHTERS**

**First Friday - Nov. 5**  
**Fiesta - Nov. 19**

10 p.m.-4 a.m.  
Enlisted Ballroom

Show your club card for member pricing!

**THANKSGIVING BUFFET**

with all the  
**TRIMMINGS**

Carved steamship round of beef, oven roasted turkey & corn bread dressing, honey baked ham, whipped potatoes & gravy, candied sweet potatoes, macaroni & cheese, au gratin potatoes, buttered corn, seasoned green beans, California vegetable medley, cole slaw, potato salad, carrot & raisin salad, fresh green salad & dressings, homemade dinner rolls, assorted desserts

**Seatings at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.**  
**Thursday, November 25**

**Member prices**

**\$9.95**

Adults

**\$4.95**

Ages 6-12

**FREE**

Under 6

*Non-members pay \$3 more*

Open to all ranks at the Barksdale Club.  
Call 456-4926 for reservations

**Arts & Crafts 456-5594**

**Artist and Craftsmen Contest**

The arts and crafts center is hosting this base wide competition from Nov. 1-Dec. 8. Drawings, paintings and various other crafts compete with others from Barksdale. Winners' projects may be chosen to compete against the other bases in Air Combat Command. Entry is free. Awards will be presented on Dec. 10. Call 456-3140 for details.

**Photography Contest**

The arts and crafts center is hosting a base wide photography competition from Nov. 1-Dec. 8. Photographs compete in several categories. Winners' photographs may be chosen to compete against the other bases in Air Combat Command. Entry is free. Awards will be presented on Dec. 10. Call 456-3140 for details.

**Scrapbooking Class**

Scrapbooking classes are offered at the Arts and Crafts Center. Stamping for cards/scrapbooks is on Nov. 4 for \$10 including all supplies, mosaic pages is on Dec.2 for \$12, and kinetic scrapbooking on Jan. 6 for \$18. Students should bring 15-20 pictures of one subject, scissors, cutting mat, exacto knife and adhesive. Call 456-3140 for details.

**Pottery Class**

Anyone 15 years or older can learn to make pottery at the arts and crafts center. Classes are taught every Thursday from 5-7 p.m. Learn basic and advanced pottery making skills. Instruction is individualized. The cost is \$8.50 plus supplies. Call or stop by the arts and crafts center for details.

**Children's Art Class**

Arts and crafts has children's art class every Thursday from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The cost is \$2 and up, depending on the project. Instruction is hands-on, so ages 5-12 are welcome. Reservations are required by Tuesday each week. Call 456-3140 to sign up.

**Framing Class**

Frame your own pictures and save! Framing classes will be held Nov. 2, 4, and 9 from 5-7 p.m. The cost is \$25 plus supplies and students should bring a picture or photo (11 X 14 inches or smaller) suitable for framing. Our experts will help you achieve professional results. Pre-payment is required and a minimum of four students is needed to have a class. Reserve your spot today.

**Gifts & Getaways 456-1865**

**Dallas Cowboys Tickets**

Tickets are on sale for all Dallas Cowboys NFL home games at Texas Stadium in Arlington, Texas. Prices are \$40 for upper level endzone seating (list \$47) and \$65 for lower level sideline seating (list \$69).

Arlington is only a three hour drive from Barksdale. Lots of fun and attractions are available in the Dallas /Fort Worth metroplex. Gifts and Getaways also has military discounts on luxury hotels in Dallas. Save by coming to Gifts and Getaways in the BX mall.

**Discount Disney tickets**

Take the family to see Mickey and the gang. Save \$15-\$33 on Walt Disney World tickets. Packages grant admission to all four Orlando parks ... Magic Kingdom, MGM Studios, Disney's Animal Kingdom and Epcot Center. Passes are available for up to a week. Come to Gifts and Getaways to plan the vacation of a lifetime without breaking the bank.

**Robert Trent Jones Golf**

Barksdale is the only place to get military discounts on Robert Trent Jones golf! Play award-winning courses all over Alabama for as little as \$29, which includes green fee and cart rental. Custom group packages and discounts on lodging are also available. Don't pay full prices to play ... call Mary Baker at 456-5594.

**Six Flags Fall Special**

Get tickets to Fright Fest at Six Flags Over Texas through Sunday at a huge savings. Gifts and Getaways in the BX mall has tickets (list \$42) for only \$25. Pick up tickets and head to Fright Fest this Halloween weekend.

**HOME IMPROVEMENT classes**

**WITH LOWE'S PROFESSIONALS**

**FAUX FINISHING PAINTING**

**Tuesday, November 2**  
Arts & Crafts Ctr. - 6:00pm

**CERAMIC TILE INSTALLATION**

**Tuesday, November 16**  
Arts & Crafts Ctr. - 6:00pm

**Are you ready for some football?**

**Road Trip to Dallas, Texas!**

**December 12**  
**Texas Stadium**  
**Cowboys**

**Saints**

**Transportation on chartered bus and game ticket for only \$100!**

**Sign up at Gifts and Getaways or call 456-1866 today!**

**LAST WEEK TO SAVE!**

**2004 State Fair of Louisiana**

**Going on now - Nov. 7**

**Get discount tickets at Gifts & Getaways!**

	<b>General Admission</b>	<b>All You Can Ride</b>
<b>Gate Price</b>	<b>\$8</b>	<b>\$25</b>
<b>Our Price</b>	<b>\$6</b>	<b>\$23</b>

**Gifts & Getaways is located in the BX mall!**



## Youth Center 456-3448

# HAUNTED HAYRIDE

**OCTOBER 28-30**  
**7-10 P.M.**

**CALL 456-3448**  
**FOR DETAILS**



## Nov. 19 Smart Moves

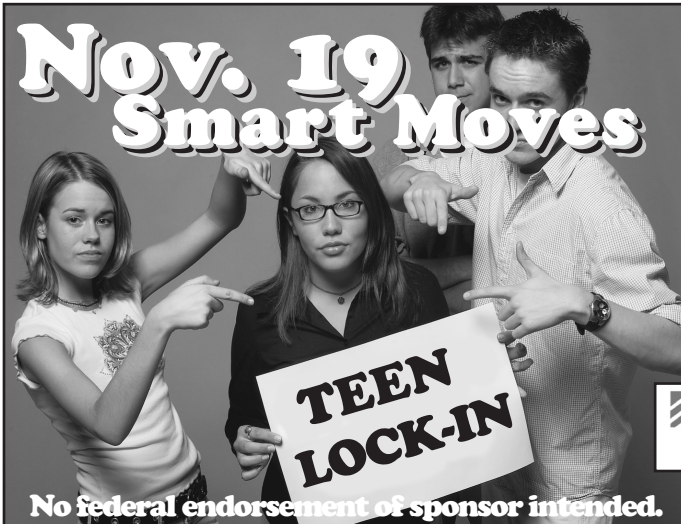
**Games**  
**Food**  
**Fun**  
**Music**

**Sponsored by:**  
Barksdale Federal Credit Union  
Your Financial Partner for Life™

**TEEN LOCK-IN**

**No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.**

**Call 456-3448!**



## Library 456-4101

# Native American Storytelling

featuring *Linda Dennett*  
Children and adults tales

**November 12**  
**9 a.m.**  
at the Base Library

Stories, artifacts , Native American items, traditional musical instruments.  
Honoring Native American Heritage Month.




### Pre-teen Lock-in

The pre-teen lock in is Nov. 5 at the Youth Center. The event is for ages nine to 12 and from 7 p.m - 7 a.m. The night is filled with food and fun. Children compete with other ACC bases in several events. Call 456-3448 to reserve a spot.

### Become a Business Owner

Become a family child care provider and earn extra income while staying home with the children. Training, equipment and supplies are free. Spouses living off-base and DOD spouses may join. Licensing is mandatory for base residents providing more than ten hours of child care for other children. Call 456-8912 for more information.

### Fall Preschool Openings

Fall preschool still has openings for three and four year olds. Children must have been three prior to Sept. 30, 2004. Two-day classes held on Tuesdays and Thursdays are available from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Register on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m. at the Part Day Enrichment Center. Bring immunization records, birth certificate, current LES and \$10 registration fee. Fees are based on total family income. Call 456-3776 for more information.

### Teen Paintball

The youth center is hosting the Teen TRAIL program paintball party. This fun event is scheduled for Nov. 13 from 1-6 p.m. and is open to teens 13-18 years old. The cost is \$5. Participants should wear long sleeves and for warmth and protection. Call 456-3354 to sign up by Nov. 9.

### Battle of the Bands

Come to this competition between high school bands. The competition is set for 2 p.m. on Nov. 6 at the youth center. Admission is \$2. The area's best performing bands will be on hand to compete for bragging rights. Call 456-3448 to find out more.

### Cheerleading Class

Register for cheerleading basics class at the Youth Center. Students learn tumbling, stunting, dance and cheering techniques. Youth ages five years or older may participate. The course is instructed by coach Mandy and is great preparation for competitive cheerleading or just for fun. Classes are held weekly. The cost is \$30 per month for once a week and \$45 per month for twice a week. Call 456-3448 for details.

### Family and Teen Talent Show

A "salute to the troops" is the theme of this family talent competition at the youth center on Nov. 10. Sign up for singing, dancing or doing anything that showcases family talent. Those not competing should attend. The show starts at 7 p.m. Don't miss this entertaining evening. Call 456-3446 for further details.

### Try Scuba Program

The junior trail program is hosting a introduction to scuba outing on Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. Children ages 9-12 will go to the Shreveport Scuba school for a lesson and "in-the-water" scuba session. The cost is \$5 and all equipment will be supplied. Scuba is a fun and educational activity that the kids are esure to enjoy. Sign up by stopping at the youth center or call 456-3354 for more information.

### Thanksgiving Break

Thanksgiving break is almost here. It runs Nov. 22-26. Don't get caught without proper childcare. Be sure and sign up children ages 5-teen for school age care. Work worry free by letting the professional youth center providers care for the children during their time off from school. Peace of mind makes the holidays even more enjoyable. Call 456-3448 to find out more.

## Fitness Center 456-4135

# Aerobics

## Schedule

**New!**

Mon.	Thurs.
<b>11 a.m.</b> <b>Step Aerobics</b> (Kathryn)	<b>11 a.m.</b> <b>Body Sculpting / Total body</b> (Kathryn)
<b>12 noon</b> <b>Cardio Dance &amp; Kick</b> (Patrick)	<b>3:30 p.m.</b> <b>Circuit Training</b> FIT (Byron)
	<b>4 p.m.</b> <b>Cardio Dance &amp; Kick</b> (Patrick)
	<b>5 p.m.</b> <b>Spin</b> (Kathryn)
Tues.	Fri.
<b>11 a.m.</b> <b>Body Sculpting / Total body</b> (Kathryn)	<b>11 a.m.</b> <b>Step Aerobics</b> (Kathryn)
<b>5 p.m.</b> <b>Step Aerobics</b> (Kathryn)	
<b>11 a.m.</b> <b>Sports Conditioning</b> (Kathryn)	<b>4 p.m.</b> <b>Cardio Dance &amp; Kick</b> (Patrick)
<b>12 noon</b> <b>Cardio Dance &amp; Kick</b> (Patrick)	

## Fox Run Golf Course 456-2263

# Turkey Shoot

## 4-person scramble

### Nov. 20

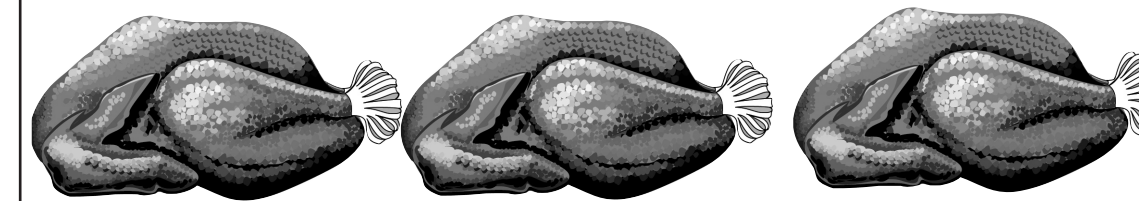
**9 a.m. shotgun start**



**A GREAT**  
**Chance to get**  
**a FREE**  
**holiday**  
**turkey.**

**Only \$10 plus**  
**normal fees**

**Register today at Fox Run**



# November Holiday Special



**Hogan APEX Irons**  
**3-PW**

**Sale price \$599**  
**Reg. \$749**

 **Fox Run Pro Shop 456-3832**





## Outdoor Recreation 456-3426

### SKATEBOARDING TRIP



**TO HOLY ROLLER  
SKATEPARK IN  
BOSSIER**

**SATURDAY**

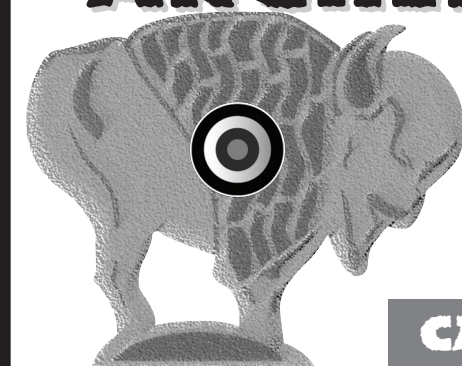
**2-6 P.M. UNDER 18  
6-10 P.M. OVER 18**

**\$6 INCLUDES  
TRANSPORTATION & PARK ADMISSION**

**CALL 456-7765 NOW!  
DEADLINE IS TODAY!**

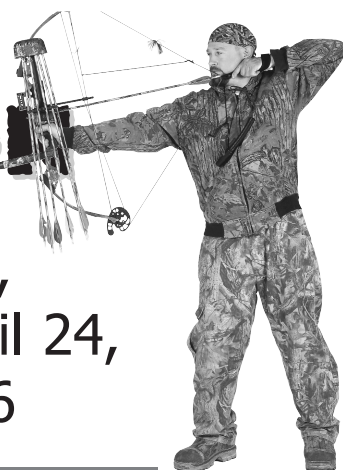


### 2005 3-D ARCHERY SEASON



Sessions are Jan 30,  
Feb 27, Mar 20, April 24,  
May 22, and Jun 26

**CALL 456-7765 FOR DETAILS**



#### Diamond Dig

You could strike it rich as you travel with outdoor recreation to the Prescott Diamond Mine in Murfreesboro, Arkansas. On Nov. 6, a group will head north to dig and screen for diamonds. All equipment and lunch is provided. The cost is \$25 per guest. Call 456-7765 to sign-up.

#### Paintball

Enjoy paintball Nov. 13 or Dec. 4. Sessions are held at 10 a.m and 2 p.m. and last approximately three hours. The cost is \$12 and includes gun rental, mask, CO2 refills and 100 paintballs. Additional paintballs are available for purchase at \$4 per 100 and \$15 per 500. Sign up deadline is today and Nov. 26 respectively. Guests should wear long sleeves for warmth and protection. Call 456-7765 to sign up.

#### Private Paintball Parties

Enjoy fresh homemade pizza and paintball party. Squadron groups are welcome. Guests play three hours of paintball for \$12, which includes the rental of the mask, gun, 100 paintballs and CO2 refills. Additional paint is available. Call 456-7765 for pricing on pizza, drinks and snacks.

#### Hiking & Biking Trails

Take a three, seven or ten mile hike through the pristine woods of the East Reservation. Numerous historical sites scatter the trails for viewing. The hiking trail begins by the Flag Lake Gate and is well marked to keep walkers on course. Stop by Outdoor Recreation on the east side for a trail map. Hikers can get the combination to the gate at equipment rental, natural resources, or the east side shopette. Call 456-7765 for details.

#### Chainsaw Tune-up

Equipment Rental is offering a chainsaw tune-up special. They will clean the saw, change the plug, sharpen the chain and lubricate everything for only \$25. They offer sharpening for only \$5 when the chain is on the machine and \$3 when the chain is off. Repair is also available for \$25 per hour plus parts. Stop by equipment rental before winter comes.

#### Mower Special

Winterize that mower at equipment rental. Their tune-up special includes cleaning the air filter, washing the mower and changing the oil for \$25 on push mowers and \$35 for riding mowers. Annual maintenance makes mowers last longer. Call at 456-3426 or stop by equipment rental.



### Hike Big Tree Trail

**Nov. 13, 9 a.m. - noon**

**FREE Volksmarch  
pin!**

**FREE admission!**

**7 or 10 mile routes**

**Brats & knauts**

**Call  
456-7765  
to  
register**



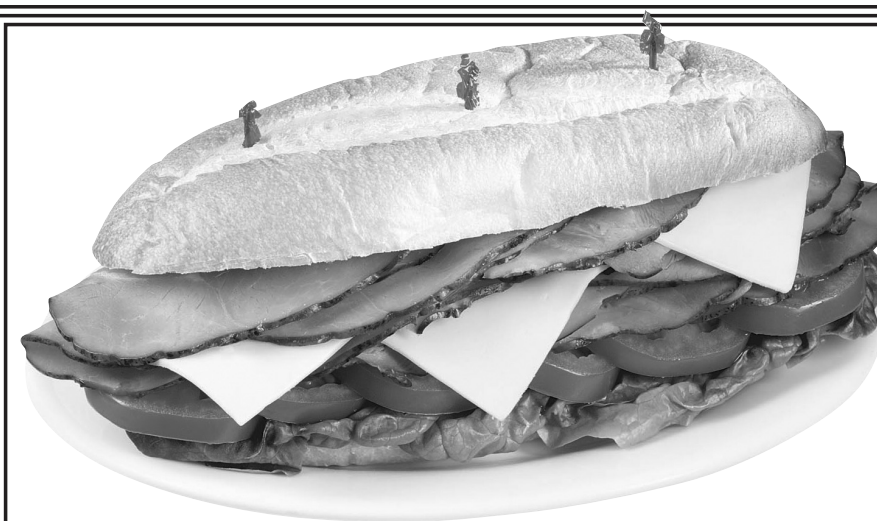
#### New Pick-up Service

To make the customers' lives simpler, equipment rental will now pick up broken 4 wheel atv's or mowers for repair. They will also deliver the repaired equipment upon completion. The fee is \$10 for deliveries under 15 miles and \$20 for deliveries 15-30 miles away. The price does not include the repair. Call to arrange an appointment at 456-3426.

#### ATV Tune-up

Get that ATV ready for hunting season with a tune-up at equipment rental. They change the spark plugs, check the rear end oil, clean the air filter and change the engine oil for only \$45. They can also repair non-running ATV's. Proper maintenance extends the life of the engine. Protect your investment with a tune-up. Call 456-3426 for more information.

## Bowling Center 456-2263



### GRAB -N- GO LUNCH

Turkey or ham po-boy with cheese on a fresh hoagie roll. Chips and soda included. Only \$3<sup>50</sup>

**Monday-Friday at the bowling snack bar**

### Stan's November Special

Egg salad  
sandwich,  
chips &  
soda

**Only  
\$2.95**

### Sunday Special

Bowling for 3 hours, shoes, and meal combo  
Choose from burgers, chicken tenders, hot dogs,  
corn dogs or grilled cheese.

6 bowlers	4 bowlers	2 bowlers
\$49.95	\$39.95	\$29.95

FREE game with a strike on the red head pin!

### FREE COMBO MEAL

**Pick up your lunch punch  
card at the bowling center.**

**The 10th meal is FREE!**